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Justices,

I believe that the proposed settlement with Microsoft does not go far enough to stop a monopoly. I would like to add my vote against the acceptance of the proposed settlement, and suggest stronger sanctions against Microsoft.

I have been a software developer for 20 years and am currently the CTO and co-founder of Annexient, Inc.. I have worked for many different companies, including PTC who develops applications that run on many different platforms.

I believe that we are currently in a "death spiral" with Microsoft. That is, the more market share Microsoft has, the more likely choices are made in Microsoft's favor, due entirely to their market size, thus providing positive feedback to the cycle.

As a developer and CTO I have witnessed and made these decisions. One could say it is supply and demand. For the smaller companies it is, but that is because Microsoft is almost all the market there is.

When a company wants to make another choice, it can be very difficult. We recently had a major customer request that we support the Macintosh. In doing so, it became apparent the significant discrepancy in development products between Microsoft and Apple, much of which I believe is due to decisions similar to the ones described above.

I only hope it is not too late to stop the total domination of Microsoft on the software industry, and recommend that the proposed settlement be rejected, and more severe measures be taken against Microsoft.

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